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## STRATHCONA NEWS

### WRESTLING IN STRATHCONA.

Wrestling game is taking a keen interest in Strathcona this winter, and each evening the carline rink has many interested contestants and spectators. For the past week the professionals and vice-presidents' contests have been in progress, and with the playing of two rinks this evening they will be ended. The teams attached to the vice-president are in the lead by a score of 12 points, and as this evening game the victory will go to them.

The following are the results: President J. M. Douglas vs. Vice-president A. McLean, 12-12.

McMahon vs. Sheppard, 12-12.

Miller vs. R. H. Douglas, 10-13.

A. J. McLean vs. Downes, 11-13.

Baines vs. Wair, 12-12.

Kitchen vs. Jackson to play.

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Baines (skip), Walsh, Torgerson, Lewis.

Downes (skip), Kinneer, Brown, Robertson.

Miller (skip), Congdon, O'Donnell, Cameron.

A. McLean (skip), O'Brien, T. Henderson, Manning.

McMahon (skip), Lucas, Fraser, Sims.

R. H. Douglas (skip), J. Clark, Bradshaw, D. McKinnis.

A. J. McLean (skip), S. Kelly, Hoffman, Dr. May.

Kitchen (skip), Dr. Leveil, Gallagher, Kent.

J. M. Douglas (skip), Jaffray, Rev. J. J. Jones, Murray.

Wair (skip), Marriott, McNally, Warrington.

Jackson (skip), Supple, Dugan, Beauchamp.

There are still a number of the younger players without skips, and the probability is that three more will be formed.

## A GIFT

FOR GENTLEMEN

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### HOCKEY TO-MORROW.

The next session will be for the Strathcona cup. This will begin next Thursday.

The second game between Edmonton and Strathcona will take place tomorrow afternoon at seven o'clock in the Strathcona rink.

This year's management, Messrs. Garbe and Ken have provided more accommodation than in any previous year, and all in all it is expected that the biggest crowd in the history of the rink will be in attendance when the puck is faced of tomorrow afternoon.

It is not probable the line-up will be the same as in the first game, as Bault received a bad cut on his foot in the previous game, and a new man for the position of point is now on his way from the States to take that position.

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### Another Railway From Minnesota.

Fort Francis, Ont., Dec. 30.—It is reported here that another railway is to start from Deer River, Minnesota, heading to the international boundary here. This would make three rail ways.

### Convention of Lumbermen.

Nelson, B.C., Dec. 30.—A convention of lumbermen of the Coast and Mountains Mills will meet here January 10. Matters of great importance will be dealt with.

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## NARRAWAY'S STUDIO

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Seven Years for Assault.  
Vancouver, B.C., Dec. 30.—Fred Symons, who brutally assaulted the keeper of a sporting house and later nearly killed Policeman Latimer, with a loaded cane, when the latter went to arrest him, was sentenced today to seven years.

Increases in Vancouver.  
Vancouver, B.C., Dec. 30.—The bank earnings have increased forty-five per cent. in 1907 over the previous year. The land registry office receipts increased 20 per cent. and the customs receipts 54 per cent.

Deputation from Portage.  
Portage la Prairie, Dec. 30.—President Taylor and Secretary Baker were appointed a deputation to represent the local road trade at the hearing of the Winnipeg objections to the new freight tariff before the railway commission.

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## FROM DAY TO DAY

**NEW YEAR'S EVE.**  
Ring out the old, ring in the new.  
Ring happy bells across the snow.  
The year is going, let him go.  
Ring out the false, ring in the true.  
Ring out false pride in place and blood,  
The cruel slander and the spite;  
Ring in the love of birth and right,  
Ring in the common love of good.  
Ring out the shapes of foul disease,  
Ring out the narrowing lust of greed;  
Ring out the thousand years of pain,  
Ring in the thousand years of peace.  
Ring in the radiant man and free,  
Ring out the tyrant and the slave;  
Ring out the darkness of the land,  
Ring in the light that is to be.  
—Tennyson.

## SOCIAL.

Miss Eleanor Crawford is spending the holidays with her brother at Red Deer. Martin Murphy, C.E., came up from Saskatoon last week to spend the holidays with his father, Dr. Martin Murphy, C.E., at St. James.

Mr. Morcott H. H. Dugan has left for Toronto where he will attend the marriage of his sister, Miss Isabel Biggar, to Christopher Eddison.

Miss Bland of England, who spent some weeks out at Beaver Hills in August in Edmonton, the guest of Mrs. Riddell.

Dr. Harrison's many friends will be glad to hear that he is greatly improved in health at the convalescent stage.

Mr. Fletcher Brodin, M.P.P., and Mrs. Brodin went to Calgary for Christmas week. They may go on to the coast before returning.

Mr. Frank Walker, M.P.P., and Mrs. Walker spent yesterday in the city. They will take a farm and visit at home in Edmonton during the season.

Ontario papers announce the engagement of Miss Grace Fraser, daughter of the Rev. J. F. Fraser, of Belleville, and granddaughter of Mrs. Fraser, Ottawa, to Mr. Robert Vernon Heath, of Edmonton, son of Joseph Heathcoat, Esquire, Derbyshire, Eng.

Each new play put on by local talent tends to refresh the ability of Edmonton in this regard. All the Comedians of Edmonton, as presented last night by an amateur cast headed by Mr. Irvine Brown, was a most enjoyable production. This amusing play will be repeated tonight, and the next production by local talent will be "The Duke" on January 2nd, put on by practically the same cast that presented "The Private Secretary" last winter.

## SAID OF WOMAN.

Women see through and through each other, and often we meet the man for whom they met soon.—Hartley.

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A man should choose for a wife not a woman, but a woman's friend, would she a man.—Joubert

The one who has read the book that is called "Woman's Friend" more than the one who has given pain in libraries.—Housman.

When a woman pronounces the name of a man but twice a day, there may be some doubt as to the nature of her sentiments, but three times—no.—Sand.

It is only the men who have the strength and to forgive.—Dumas fils.

The heart of a loving woman is a golden scepter, where often there is a scepter of steel.—Emerson.

Consideration for women is the measure of a nation's progress in civilization.—Goreau.

The breaking of a heart leaves no scars.—Sand.

## OLD CHRISTMAS CUSTOM.

This is the season when rich Christmas cake is pressed upon you with the suggestion that festive merriment is happiness in the New Year will follow upon your eating twelve pieces of Christmas cake. If you are fond of fruit cake, or if you are weak-minded or have a good deal of money, you will probably accept every piece of the cake cake offered you. In England the same custom holds sway, but instead of fruit cake pieces of mince or tiny mince tarts are given.

"Happy Month" is the name applied to that little mince pie that at Christmas time throughout England, and served to any guests who are called at the house during the holidays.

The saying is, that for every one of these they pass one cake, a happy month will come during the year. Only the pie must be given to the one who calls them.

When one calls at the house the little pie is brought forth with a glass of wine and a cup of tea; and, however well satisfied one may already be, as regards one's appetite, or how many of these "happy month" pies have already eaten, it is considered a mark of breach of etiquette to refuse the little pie—although one is allowed to take it home and eat it later. This, however, is not very often done, or who would refuse the coming of a happy month by refusing to accept the stomach for just one more little pie?

In some parts of England these little pies are literally made by the date, so that they will be plentiful for family and friends. They are made of short crust, and filled with mince, which, at the best of times, is an unpalatable, poorly, and the crust is filled with a mince meat filling that is even richer than the crust.

## STATUE TO MON JOHN YOUNG.

Philip H. Miller, C.M.G., the Canadian sculptor, has completed the statue of the late Hon. John Young, of Montreal, and it will be unveiled at the next spring. The statue is to be placed on a granite pedestal and is nine feet in height.

This monument which will be unveiled at the opening of navigation in the St. Lawrence next spring, is the first monument in Canada that has given of erecting statues and monuments to men who have rendered public service to the country. The late Mr. Young established with David Torrance in Montreal one of the great commercial houses of the Canadian metropolis, but notwithstanding weighty business responsibilities he devoted a great deal of time to advancing the interests of the country generally.

He represented his constituents, not only both in the legislative assembly of Quebec and in the federal House of Commons, but also in the federal House of Commons at Montreal he rendered very efficient service to the country, and the navigation of Canada's long waterway from the Great Lakes to the ocean. It is this work of the great publicist which will specially be commemorated at the unveiling of the statue next spring.

Mr. Harrison Young, of Edmonton, a son of Hon. John Young, Lady Aylmer, of Ottawa, and Miss Lily Young, of Montreal, are daughters, while another daughter resides in England.

## MODESTY AND SUIT CASES.

"It's queer the way most men like to have anybody see into their suit cases on a train," remarked a sleeping car conductor when at the head office of the C. N. R. company the other day.

"Now you'd think that a woman would be modest, but about having strangers see into the trunk that she's got with her in her suit case, wouldn't you?" suggested the conductor. "Well, it's just the other way. The average woman doesn't seem to care much. Not that she's largely about it. She simply hasn't anything to hide, why, let them look—that's the way she seems to figure. She doesn't give any occasion for being secretive about it."

"That's different with a man. He always turns his case around before he starts to open it, in a way to show the lid for a screen. He seems to be afraid that something he has there might have got shaken up toward the top. Then if he goes to pull out a suit of pajamas from the bottom of his case he'll do it with an embarrassed look on his face. It's true the collection of stuff a lot of men get into a suit case might provoke a laugh if you were to see it, but when over, but would you have thought the average man was such a modest person?"

## NORTHERN LULLABY.

Over the mountains and over the stream  
Father is having his best star-gazing  
(Sleep, sleep, as of him we dream),  
And his dog team's bells are ringing.  
The lull is blowing their rhymes to me  
When he is home we'll think of him

(Sleep, sleep for he thinks of thee,  
And dream as thy mother is singing)  
Over the glittering miles, 'tween  
Moonlight is falling in radiant glow  
(Sleep, sleep, as I sing thee low),  
And thy soft white arms are clinging,  
Sleep yet a little, soon thou'll be here  
(Hark! I hear dog-bells, loud and clear!)

Thy father is coming, singing,  
—Alice Harriman-Brown.

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Mark Twain once went into a book store, and, being attracted by a particular book, asked the price.

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"Well, now," said Mr. Clemens, "I am a newspaper writer. Don't you get a discount for that?"

"Certainly," replied the obliging clerk.

"I am also a magazine writer. Do I get something off for that?"

"Yes," said the clerk, "you get a discount for that."

"I am also an author. Don't I come in on the author's discount?"

"Yes, sir, you get the author's discount."

"In addition," said Mr. Clemens, "I am a stockholder in this house. Does that entitle me to something off?"

"Now," continued Mr. Clemens, "I would like to wish that I am Samuel Clemens; does that entitle me to anything more?"

"It does," said the clerk, after a moment's hesitation.

"That's good," replied the author, "how much do I owe you?"

"We owe you 50 cents," said the clerk.

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TUESDAY, DECEMBER 31, 1907.

## PREMIER BOBLIN'S SURPRISE

Premier Roblin professes surprise that the Alberta Government should have given publicity to the report of the Beef Commission before presenting it to the Legislature. This is contrary to his notion of courtesy. He even declares that he would expect a vote of censure from the House if he did such a thing. Wherefore the people of Manitoba must possess their souls in patience until the Legislature assembles.

Doubtless it will be painful intelligence to Alberta's Minister of Agriculture to learn that he has filled Premier Roblin with consternation and jarred his conception of the proprieties. Equally pained will he be to learn how slender a hold Mr. Roblin has upon the esteem of the legislators, that for so small an offence they would indict upon him their censure. At the same time it can only be regarded as evidence of the uncompromising Toryism which pertains in the Parliamentary chamber of that Province that precedence is regarded before the public interest, and established custom is held above the conduct of the beef business.

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From the first the Manitoba Government has shown no overwhelming desire to turn the light on the conduct of the Commission. It has been asked when the Beef Commission began its sessions in Manitoba the ubiquitous Council whose secretory quipsoes have been so often quoted, "I was included but was dispensed with, and replaced by another gentleman whose curiosity was by no means commensurate with mine." It is not hard to get the conviction that if the Commissioners learned anything damaging to the reputation of the Manitoba dealers the Government would have been glad to get it into the political shrubbery of that Province. Finally they emerged and submitted their reports. But the publication of the reports was delayed by Premier Roblin's delicate regard for the deference due the Legislature would not permit their report on the Manitoba conditions to be published until the Legislature had adjourned. Whatever may have been the conditions in Manitoba before the Commission began its work, it is certain that conditions there now are such that the law could not interfere; otherwise the mental deaths of Manitoba are as regular as the deaths of Winnipeg. Well, that is the situation.

A paragraph in the *Alberta* port expresses regret that so far as this Province was concerned the scope of inquiry was limited. The conduct of the business within this Province was fully examined, but beyond this Province the inquiry was not extended. The Province the Commissioners were not permitted to pursue the inquiry sufficiently far. Was Premier Roblin the reason in their path? One thing is certain; the meat business of the West centres in Winnipeg. If the Commissioners were balked, it Winnipeg would be the place where the inquiry would be held. They declared they were limited. That they were blocked in this particular manner they do not say; but their language would bear the interpretation that interference of some kind or other in Manitoba prevented them pursuing their inquiry. Mr. Roblin's reticence in publishing their findings in Manitoba is strong evidence

that this interpretation is the correct one. His expressed surprise that the Alberta Government should have followed the practice in such cases will deceive no one; Premier Roblin is the man who has violated the rules of the game. Did he do so for nothing?

## DIVERTING CARS FROM CANADIAN TRADE.

From Saskatoon came a despatch a few days ago reporting something very like a riot at the town of Aquathia. Aquathia is situated on the C.P.R. border-line about twenty-five miles west of Saskatoon. The cause of the trouble was a shortage of cars for shipping wheat and the trouble was increased rather than diminished when a string of empties which arrived were turned over to the elevators, though the farmers had previously taken possession of them and begun loading them. The despatch describes the proceedings thus:

"Saskatoon, Dec. 23.—There was 'great excitement in Ashcroft Saturday night over the grain congestion. 'The situation was somewhat relieved Thursday by the arrival of thirty 'emptyies. The news quickly spread 'among the farmers and the elevators 'fired again. The C.P.R. rushed 'three emptyies to Ashcroft Thursday 'for the Ashcroft elevators. Seventy farm- 'ers who had gathered, rushed for 'the cars as soon as the train neared 'the town, each armed with a 'small sack of wheat, which they 'tore into the cars as a sign of pos- 'session. A general stampede follow- 'ed the stopping of the train, in 'which many disputes arose over the 'possession of cars. The C.P.R. 'sent a large force of men to control the 'angry settlers when the cars were 'handed to the elevators."

grain, eastern papers to hand contain a lengthy dispatch from Indiana stating an attack on the grain elevator. The writer of the article is farmer at its provisions by tying up cars until he needs them. The contents of this article is that the farmers of Indiana are not getting paid for cars that they will not need for weeks, that this prevents the elevators securing the cars, and "cripples the railways by depriving them of cars." The writer also states that the elevator and injures the Northwest at large by delaying the export of a good "deal of the crop till the following spring." The writer also states the ability of the correspondent, and he adds: "This fall the delay has been particularly exasperating and costly." The writer also states that the grain, the grain it only for feed, "which might at any moment go bad in transit, should be hurried on quickly as possible to the market." The writer also states that the "most loss to the farmer or grain buyer. Yet from the time the grain is moved to move in October down to the time it is sold, the farmer is at a loss on the Canadian Pacific line were stalled at loading platforms is "effectually as though they had been burned." The writer also states that "nothing short of an outrage on the railway, and, of course, intelligent farmers see that it was also a great wrong to them." The writer also states that the "conclusion of course is that the Grain Act must be amended to prevent the farmers getting the cars they want." This is how it is put in the article. The writer also states that the "farmer, and protect him well, without injuring the elevator man or interfering the work of the railways. The writer also states that the "provision for an equal distribution of cars between loading platform and elevator at the outset, but thereafter the writer also states that the "quantity of wheat likely to be shipped from each. As a rule, this gives both a fair and just supply. The Dominion Parliament must be propounding an interest, however high or how ever humble, for its defects and the abuse to which it lends itself have now become intolerable."

Yet again, during the past week there came a despatch from Spokane, Washington, announcing that the C.P.R. had decided to permit its cars to run across the boundary into the western States. The Canadian will, of course, when orders for a hundred cars for the Western Canadian trade remained unfilled. Very naturally the Spokane correspondent regarded this as a splendid thing for the western States and also as very satisfactory to the mine-operators near the boundary. The Spokane despatch reads: "The Canadian Government is constant to the mine in the Alberta coal belt, tributary to the northwest provinces and the Spokane country, is the decision of the Canadian Pacific railway company to permit its cars to run south of the international boundary when loaded with coal. It is expected that the first few months the Lumbreck colliery will be occupied in supplying fuel to the

disjoint, and that the output will be largely increased. Hereafter, the markets south of the border have been compelled to depend upon foreign cars in transit westward to be loaded with lumber and other products for eastern shipment. The new policy will enable the Alberta mines to ship their output directly to the mills, thus saving the cost of "piling up for two months. Andrew Laidlaw, of the Galbraith Coal company, operating in the Alberta district, says that his concern was the first to take advantage of the new order, the company loading four cars for Spokane the first day. The company's new plant has enabled the firm to ship its output directly to the Canadian market, and the pressure from that quarter is materially relaxed, although orders for more than 100 cars are unfilled."

Three conditions are here set out; the western grain shipment is retarded because the C.P.R. fails to provide sufficient cars to the farmers who have cars to ship; the railroads and elevator men are making war on the Grain Act to prevent the farmer getting even as many cars as he now receives; and the insufficient supply of cars is to be further curtailed by diverting C.P.R. cars to handle foreign traffic. They are all completely unrelated incidents. They are correlative and complementary. They all originate in the failure of the C.P.R. to supply sufficient cars to handle the business of the country during the busy season, and in the refusal of the Government to exercise its power to have this business done.

The Company consistently avows its inability to build cars fast enough to handle the Western trade; yet the Company depicts the supply available for that

traded by shipping acres of cars out of the country. The prairie country is practically dependent for fuel on the haulage capacity of the C.P.R.; yet while a hundred cars of fuel are needed on the prairies, C.P.R. cars are sent to Spokane loaded with Canadian coal. The farmers of Saskatchewan are at the point of desperation because they cannot get cars enough to carry away their grain; yet the Company demand that they be allowed to give the farmers fewer cars. It is difficult to resist the conclusion that if this demand were complied with, the cars thus released would also be sent to earn money in Washington, while the farmers of Saskatchewan shipped their wheat when they might and secured their fuel when the coal.

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There is nothing new either in the circumstance that the C.P.R. has not enough ears to handle the western trade, nor that the cane the Company has are largely devoted to the carrying business of the United States. Both conditions have become painfully familiar. For nearly a decade the C.P.R. has never had in any one year enough ears to handle the Canadian traffic reasonably well in the busy season; yet during every one of those busy seasons C.P.R. ears have been

hauling coal from the mines along the boundary to points in the western States. The business of Western prairie farmers is to ship grain to the C.P.R. beyond peradventure. If the farmer had grain to ship he could only ship it over the C.P.R. lines, and whether he shipped in November or in May he would pay the same freight charges; if the people on the prairies wanted coal they could only import it over the C.P.R. lines, and a delay of a month or so made no difference in the price of the receipts from its carriage. Wherever this business was done it could only be done over the C.P.R. and when it was done made no difference in the price of the receipts. Therefore it was not done when other business offered which could be done only during certain seasons. Such business offers in plenty across the border during the winter months. The farmers over the C.P.R. send us cars into this foreign trade at the time they are needed in the home trade, knowing that the latter cannot be lost to them. The same policy must be secured now or never. This is the policy from which the western grain growers are suffering to-day. They would offer to place their policy in the hands of the people, but the Grain Act, that the Company is to make war on the Act simply means that they want to extend the policy of reaching the market by the C.P.R. and attending to home business when they get ready. In the meantime, of course, the farmer's grain may deteriorate or his family may starve, but that is no business of the C.P.R.

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## SPORTING NEWS

### LAST NIGHT'S PRACTICE.

Edmonton players and Wanderers practice last night at the skating club assembly. The practice was held at 8 o'clock and the players were in good condition. The practice was held at 8 o'clock and the players were in good condition. The practice was held at 8 o'clock and the players were in good condition.

### CURLING OPENS

Curling season has started last night with the opening of the Edmonton and Maitland Cup. The competition for the Edmonton and Maitland Cup was held at 8 o'clock and the players were in good condition. The competition for the Edmonton and Maitland Cup was held at 8 o'clock and the players were in good condition.

### NEW YEARS GAME

Edmonton players will play a game on New Year's afternoon to raise money for the Red Cross. The game will be held at 2 o'clock and the players will be in good condition. The game will be held at 2 o'clock and the players will be in good condition.

### WANDERERS WON

Wanderers won last night's game against the Edmonton players. The game was held at 8 o'clock and the Wanderers were in good condition. The game was held at 8 o'clock and the Wanderers were in good condition.

### GUY WINS ANOTHER RACE

Guy won last night's race against the Edmonton players. The race was held at 8 o'clock and Guy was in good condition. The race was held at 8 o'clock and Guy was in good condition.

### OSBORN FO.

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